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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED MAY 10, 2005

Dear Sir:

REMARKS

Each of Claims 1-18 requires a front panel comprising a transparent portion. Claims 1-18 have been rejected citing *Young*, U.S. Patent No 2,834,134, either under 35 U.S.C. §102, or 35 U.S.C. §103(a). It is the Examiner's position that *Young* has a window or opening **16** that is a transparent portion of a panel. *Young* does not teach a transparent material; the opening is just that: an opening with no material therein. It is respectfully submitted that *Young* fails to meet the limitation of having a "panel", since an opening with no material therein cannot be considered to be a "panel" under any reasonably broad reading.